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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tae-Duk KIM

Serial No. 09/993,496

Confirmation No. 8100

Filed: November 27, 2001

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING LINEAR COMPRESSOR AND

Group Art Unit: 3746

Examiner: E. Sayoc

PREVENTING COLLISION OF PISTON (As Amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

A Request for Continued Examination is being filed concurrently with this Preliminary Amendment.

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

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